(c) the steps being taken to clear the backlog?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) A statement is attached.

(b) Nil.

(c) Does not arise.

**STATEMENT**

| *Sl. No.* | *Category* | *SC* | *ST* |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Group 'A' | 22 | 9 |
| 2. | Group 'B' | 29 | 4 |
| 3. | Group 'C' | 45 | 10 |
| 4. | Group 'D' | 24 | 4 |

**Amount given by Financial Institutions to projects sanctioned by NSFDC**

6822. SHRI S.B. THORAT: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state the details of the amount provided by IDBI/ICICI/IFCI and other financial institutions for the projects sanctioned by or sponsored through the National Scheduled Castes and Tribes Finance and Development Corporation during each of the last two years, project-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): IDBI/ICICI/IFCI an other financial institutions have not provided any amount for the projects sanctioned by or sponsored through the National Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation during the last two years.

[*Translation*]

**Water and Wind Erosion Problem in Orissa and Gujarat**

6823. SHRI SRIKANTA JENA:

SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the geographical area in Orissa and Gujarat affected by water and wind erosion during the last three years;

(b) the value of crops lost as a result thereof during the last three years;

(c) the funds allocated by the Union Government to these States in this regard; and

(d) the details of the works carried out in these states during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) According to available information area affected by water and wind erosion including land degradation annually in Orissa and Gujarat are 78.03 lakh hectare and 125.85 lakh hectare respectively.